



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant :	Paul R. Coronado et al	Docket No. :	IL-10797
Serial No. :	09/960,593	Art Unit :	1724
Filed :	September 21, 2001	Examiner	Ivars Cintins
For :	Method of Oil Spill Recovery Using Hydrophobic Sol-Gels and Aerogels		

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR 1.136(a))

1. This is a petition for an extension of the time for a total period of one month to respond to the Office Action mailed on 1/15/2004.
2. A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested:
 - ◆ is filed herewith
 - has been filed.
 - the response is the filing of a file wrapper or other continuation application having an express abandonment conditioned on the granting of a filing date to the continuing application.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR 1.8(a)

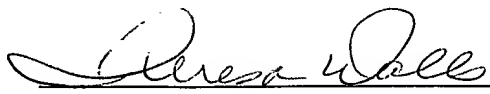
I hereby certify that the *attached* correspondence comprising:

1. Petition and Fee for Extension of Time (in duplicate) (2 pages)
2. Postcard

is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as EXPRESS MAIL in an envelope addressed to:

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3. Applicant is

- ◆ a small entity - verified statement:
 - attached
- ◆ already filed.
 - other than a small entity

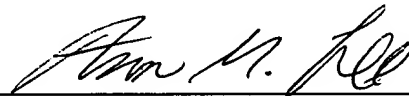
4. Calculation of extension fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)-(d)):

	Total months <u>requested</u>	Fee for other than <u>small entity</u>	Fee for <u>small entity</u>
◆	one month	\$110.00	\$55.00
○	two month	\$420.00	\$210.00
○	three month	\$950.00	\$475.00
○	four month	\$1,480.00	\$740.00
		Fee	<u>\$55.00</u>

5. Fee Payment

- ◆ Charge Account No. 12-0695 in the amount of \$55.00.
- ◆ Charge Account No. 12-0695 for any additional extension and/or fee required or credit for any excess fee paid.

Dated: 3/2/04



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